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1SL1A, SEALAND (Interesting report of the week! DX IS...). OPDX received a report this week from a person named Jon stating that he along with some other hams are going to be operating from the "Principality of Sealand" sometime **next month or in December**. The callsign that they will be using is **1SL1A**. Sealand is currently being disputed worldwide as being its own entity. More details on this operation is forthcoming soon. You may have heard of Sealand, if not, here are some links you may find useful for research:
<http://www.sealandgov.com/> <http://www.fruitsofthesea.demon.co.uk/sealand/index.html> Here is an ABC News article on Sealand.. Click on the picture for a video news story using realplayer video. <http://more.abcnews.go.com/sections/tech/dailynews/sealand000606.html>

5T, MAURITANIA (possibly S0). Eight members of the "International Amateur Radio Volunteers" (IARV) led by Yoshi, JA1UT, will visit 5T-land for their NGO project. They will operate as **5T5U**, same as last December. In addition, if allowed, they will try to enter the land of **Sahara Occidental** and operate **S07CRS**. QSL for their operation will be handled by JA1UT.

9M6, EAST MALAYSIA. Members of the Borneo ARC will be signing with the special callsign **9M6C** from **November 3-5th**. Activity is expected to only be on 14195 and 21195 kHz.

C21, NAURU. Jack Haden, VK2GJH, will be active as **C21JH** (RI-39) during the period **December 10-22nd**, inclusive. A special focus will be on 50 MHz band with HF activity on a limited basis. He will be monitoring 50.110 and 28.885 MHz using an IC-736 (100w) to a five element at 45 feet. Jack states, "Any donations from the 50 MHz fans for this operation would be appreciated due to travel costs incurred in the HIGH SEASON." QSL via VK2GJH direct only.

C6, BAHAMAS. John, K3TEJ, will be active from **Treasure Cay (NA-080)** from **November 21-28th** as **K3TEJ/C6A**. Activity will be on 160-10 meters including the WARC bands. He

will participate in the **CQWW CW Contest** as **C6AKW**. QSL via K3TEJ

CQ2, PORTUGAL. Look for operators CT1BWW and CT1DGK to activate **CQ2K** in comemorating the **year 2000** on **November 10-12th**. Activity will be on all bands (no 160m), including the WARC bands and an entry in the JIDXC Contest. A special QSL card will be available via QSL Manager CT1BWW.

E30TA, ERITREA OPERATION. There are only a few days left for this operation. Operations are expected to end **November 1st**. This station was very active during last weekend's contest. QSL via DL5NAM.

EIDXA 2001 OFFICERS. The Eastern Iowa DX Association is pleased to announce its officers for the 2001 calendar year:

President	- Heinz Blankenhagen, NR0X
Vice President	- Rick Heinrich, N0YY
Secretary/Treasurer	- Tom Kueny, K0DX

Congratulations and best of luck to these fine amateurs.

GD, ISLE OF MAN. Steve, G4UOL, is expected to be active **November 17th through December 1st** as **GD4UOL**. Activity will be on 160-10 meters CW only with an entry in the **CQWW CW Contest**. QSL via G4UOL.

IOTA NEWS.....

- **AS-056.** Masa, JA6GXX, will be active from **Danjo Archipelago (Meshima Island)** several times during the next few months: **November 14-24th, Decemeber 15-25th, January 5-16th, February 6-16th** and **March 20-30th**. However, this is not a DXpedition and Masa will only be active during his spare time. Suggested frequencies are: 14260 (+/- 10 kHz) or 21260 (+/- 10 kHz). QSL only via the Bureau.
- **OC-129.** John, G3IZM, will depart the UK for Manila on December 17th, and will be operational as **DU7/G3IZM** from **Guimeras Island** in the Visayan Group between **December 19th and January 5th**, as swimming and other holiday pursuits permit! His activity will be done with an IC706 MK2G with dipoles over the sea on 20/15 meters CW/SSB. QSL to home callsign.

JW, SVALBARD. Tor, LA9XGA, will be operating with the callsign **JW9XGA** from the JW5E Club hut in **Longyearbyen Spitsbergen Island**, Svalbard. He will be active from **November 2-8th**. Activity will be on all bands, CW/SSB /RTTY/PSK31. QSL via LA9XGA to the bureau or direct to: Tor-Atle Sandal, Hamnaflot 6, N-4200 Sauda Norway. For more info, check the Web site at: <http://www.qsl.net/jw9xga/>

KP2/WP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Bill, NU0Q, will operate **WP2Z** from St. Croix during the **ARRL CW Sweepstakes Contest November 4-6th**. Before and after the contest, he will sign **KP2/NU0Q**. IMPORTANT: QSL WP2Z via KU9C. QSL KP2/NU0Q via NU0Q.

K5K, KINGMAN REEF OPERATION. There are only a few days left for this operation. Operations are expected to end **November 1st**. **K5K** was heard during the **CQWW DX SSB Contest** begging for QSOs on 20 meters.

P5, NORTH KOREA. Rumors continue to be pass around about a possible P5 operation to take place at the end of October. However, according to "The Daily DX" a multi-national team of operators who meet in Seoul, South Korea "in preparation for trip and possible demonstration operation of amateur Radio in North Korea", were informed by authorities "that permission to operate Amateur Radio would not be granted." The group was, however, given a new date of **January 7, 2001**, for a possible Amateur Radio operations. Only a few details are available because of the sensitive nature of this operation. More details are to follow. Let's hope that this operation can take place, KYFC and stay tuned.

PV3, BRAZIL (Special Operation). Look for **PV3DC** to be active from "**Fort Duque de Caxias**" from **November 2-5th**. The will be valid for the "Brazilian Historical Fortifications Award" (DFH) as RS-01. Activity will be on CW/SSB on all bands 80-10 meters. QSL Manager is Ruy Brasil (CBA/QRZ). E-mail address is: py3afe@sgnet-rs.com.br

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

- Logs for **3A/IZ1DFI** (Gianni) and **3A/IK1QBT** (Tony) for their October 21-22nd operation are now available at: <http://www.qsl.net/iz1dfi/> <http://www.qsl.net/ik1qbt/> If you are missing from the log file, send E-mails to: IK1QBT/Tony - k1qbt@amsat.org or Gianni/IZ1DFI iz1dfi@libero.it with your callsign and log information, and they will do a search for you.
- Terry Liang, BD7NQ, informs OPDX that QSLs for **B7K** go via W2AY, NOT BD7NQ.
- Charlie, WB4PVT, has talked to Georgi, LZ1ZF, and he reports that Georgi is the QSL Manager for **BT4ARDF**. Georgi has just returned from China where he took part in The 10th Amateur Radio Direction Finding World Championship (where he took 4th on 2 meters band and 5th on 80 meters). He states that all logs (over 4000 QSO's) are at his disposal, and he is the QSL Manager for all contacts regardless of the operator of BT4ARDF. QSL cards will be printed in two weeks. Georgi will QSL 100% via the bureau, but states that the LZ QSL bureau is quite slow, so he will also confirm directly (please SASE) via CBA or to: LZ1ZF, P.O.Box 11, 4300 KARLOVO, BULGARIA.
- Gil, F5NOD, reports that the **FO0/F5JJW** log is now available on his Web site: <http://f5nod.waika9.com/> Pictures will also be available soon. The operation was from Mangareva Island (Gambier). Reference number: OC-063 (IOTA) and FO-108 (DIFO). Gil states, unfortunately, the operation from Tikeau Island was cancelled and Joel (F5JJW) is back home. Gil, F5NOD, also reports that the FK-DX Group Web page is now on-line at: <http://www.multimania.com/fk8hc/>
- Two members of the Radio Club GRAPA (Grupo de Radioaficionaodoa al Packet) HR1AAB/Alberto and Antonio/HR1ERL were active in this past weekend's CQWW DX SSB Contest as **HR1AAB**. QSL via: P.O. BOX 1734, Tegucigalpa Honduras, Central America, Zip Code 11101.
- **SV9/K7BV QSLs**. Mike, K8IW, informed OPDX that he talked to Steve, KU9C, and was told that the QSLs would be ready in about a month. They are having a full colored QSL card printed, but had some problems with the picture. The picture was sent to the printer just recently, and Steve thinks the turn around will be pretty quick. He is sorry for the delay, but wanted to do a nice card for this operation.
- **VK6BM QSLs**. Alan, VK4AAR, advises that after several unexpected holdups at the printer's, he has been advised that he should be receiving the VK6BM (OC-234) QSL cards very soon. All the envelopes are ready with stamps on them, so as soon as he

receives the cards, they will be on their way to the DXers, progressively over the following days. Alan will make sure such delays do NOT occur on future operations. He thanks all for your patience.

- Toni, EA5RM, informs OPDX that the **XU7ABD** log is now available at the Web site: <http://www.qsl.net/xu7abd/>
- Cesar, PY2YP, Chairman of the Grupo de CW de Sao Paulo (CWSP), informs OPDX that the Grupo de CW de Sao Paulo (Sao Paulo CW Group) has a new URL address: <http://www.cwsp.org.br> The CWSP site hosts the logs for **AX0LD** (Macquarie Island) and **PS0S** (Peter & Paul Rocks).
- QSL cards for **YC3ZMI** (IOTA OC-237 operation) should be sent to IK8CCW at: Antonio Cannataro, PO Box 360, 87100 Cosenza ITALY (he is not member of ARI).

SPECIAL EVENT. Look for UA4SKW to operate the special event station to commemorate **80th Anniversary of Mariy-El Republic**. The special event callsign **UE4SMA** will be used now **through November 30th**. QSL to: 80 years of Mariy-El, P.O.Box 145, Yoshkar-Ola, 424000, Mariy-El, Russia. A "Special Commemorative QSL" card will be available. A donation of a USD to defray printing would be appreciated. For more information, contact Tom UA4SKW at: toms@mail.ru There will be a special award certificate "Mariy-El 80" for those who made QSOs with Russian stations from "UA4S"-oblast during year 2000 (foreign stations need 2 QSOs, CIS - 3, Russia - 5 QSO`s). UE4SMA counts for 2 QSOs for everyone. The certificate fee is 4USD or 10 IRCs.

VK6, AUSTRALIA. Larry, K3MLA/KG4ML, will be in **Geraldton, Western Australia**, from **November 5-17th**. However, he states this will be a business trip and has been issued the callsign **VK6BRP**. He will be taking his FT-100, along with a rigblaster interface and laptop, and will be trying to hand out some PSK31 contacts from Zone 29. Larry plans on operating 40-10 meters, including the WARC bands, operating CW and SSB. He is hoping that the "Best Western" motel will be "HAM Friendly" to antennas (this may be a problem). As a backup, Larry is taking an ATAS-100 mobile HF antenna just in case he can only operate from the rental car. Like his KG4 operations, if he is not working, he will be operating the radio! QSL via his home callsign, K3MLA.

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISLAND. "The 59(9) DX Report" reports that Ed, AA4EH, will be active from **October 31st through November 6th** as **VK9LEH**. His activity will be on 20/15/10 meters and the WARC bands. QSL via AA4EH.

VQ9, CHAGOS ISLANDS. "The DX News Letter" reports that Patrick, W3PO (ex F6DWY), will be active as **VQ9PO** beginning **October 30th**. Activity will last **until next March**. Look for him to be mostly on CW and on all bands. QSL via W3PO.

YJ, VANUATU (DXpedition Update). "The Prairie DX Group" has provided more details to their DXpedition to Vanuatu **November 19-29th**. The group plans to not only have real-time on-line logging, but also a live Web cam active during the operation. They expect to be assigned the callsigns **YJ0PD** for their general operating and **YJ0V** for the **CQWW CW Contest**. The complete press release will be sent to all OPDX InterNet Subscribers as an additional bulletin. The QSL route for the DXpedition (including CQWW CW Contest) is via N9PD, direct (please include SASE, IRC or USD) or via bureau. **DO NOT SEND QSL CARDS VIA "YJ VANUATU BUREAU"**. For further information, please check their Web page: <http://www.n9pd.com> Or contact them at: kf9zz@arrl.net

ZK1, NORTH AND SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Remember to look for operators Yasu/JI1NJC and Yu/JR2KDN to be active from **Penrhyn Island** (IOTA OC-082, Grid Locator BI11) now through November 4th as **ZK1NJC** and **ZK1NDK**, respectively. Both are veteran DXpeditioners. However, as this bulletin was being prepared during the CQWW DX Contest Sunday morning, PacketCluster spots show the duo is currently active from the South Cook. Hopefully the team will be able to travel to the North Cook Islands. Activity is expected to be on CW/SSB/RTTY on 160-6 meters. Please refer to [OPDX.478](#) for further details and QSL routes.

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ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:

<http://www.en.com/users/k8yse/nodxa.html>

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